
PART 3 - TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES
Division 4 - General Regulations

Subdivision 1 - Obedience to Traffic Signs

- 3.4.1. 1. Every driver or pedestrian shall obey the directions or instructions on or indicated by any traffic sign, traffic lines, traffic signal or traffic control signal placed in accordance with the provisions of this Division except as in this Division may otherwise be provided.
2. Every person driving or operating a vehicle shall bring the same to a complete stop before passing a standard warning, on which the sign "STOP" unaccompanied by other words is indicated, and shall not proceed until such movement can be safely made.

Subdivision 2 - Traffic Direction

- 3.4.2. 1. No person while riding, operating, driving or propelling any vehicle, or riding any horse or other animal or when walking, travelling or standing in, upon or on any street shall refuse to comply with any traffic direction, command or order, when made, required, demanded or signalled by any Peace Officer.

Subdivision 3 - Fire Department May Direct

- 3.4.3. 1. Any officer or member of the Municipal Fire Department while in the course of duty in or about any fire or at the scene of any accident, in order to expedite traffic or safeguard pedestrians, may direct traffic on any street in the vicinity of such fire or accident.
2. No pedestrian or driver shall fail to comply with such directions of any such officer or member of the Fire Department.

Subdivision 4 - Following Fire Department Vehicles

- 3.4.4. 1. No person driving or operating a vehicle, except such vehicles as are conveying persons authorized by law to perform duties in connection with fires, shall follow closer than within 150 metres of any vehicle of the Municipal Fire Department travelling in response to any fire alarm, or to drive or stop his vehicle within a radius of 150 metres of any fire being fought by the Municipal Fire Department, or to drive such vehicle over or across any fire hose laid on any street, unless directed so to do by a Peace Officer or a member of the Municipal Fire Department.

Subdivision 5 - Traffic Tickets

- 3.4.5. 1. No person, other than the owner or operator of a vehicle shall remove any notice placed on or affixed to his vehicle.

Subdivision 6 - Groups Obstructing Traffic

- 3.4.6. 1. Except as to parades:
- a. no person shall form part of a group of persons congregated on a street in such manner as to obstruct the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles, except with the written permission of the Municipal Engineer; and
 - b. no person shall do anything which will direct the attention of persons and cause them to congregate in a group upon any street in such a manner as to obstruct the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles, or in such a manner that the persons so congregated might thus be in danger of injury from traffic, except with the written permission of the Municipal Engineer.

Subdivision 7 - Parades

- 3.4.7. 1. No person shall be a member of, or take part in, any parade unless:
- a. such parade be under the direction or control and under the charge of some one person as marshal or organizer; and
 - b. a written permit for such parade has been issued to such marshal or organizer by the Chief of Police as hereinafter provided.
2. Application for such permit shall be made in writing to the Chief of Police by the marshal or organizer at least twenty-four hours before the parade is to commence.
3. The application shall specify the nature of the parade, the day and hour on or at which the parade is to be held, the place or places of formation or commencement, the route intended to be taken and the point of disbandment.
4. The Chief of Police may issue a permit for a parade subject to any terms he may see fit to impose as to time, route or otherwise, and if any deviation from such terms is made, save as directed by the Chief of Police, the permit shall be void and of no effect.

Subdivision 7 - Parades (Continued)

- 3.4.7. 5. The Canadian National Flag and/or the British National Flag, unfurled, measuring not less than 1 metre by 2 metres in size, shall be prominently, properly and continuously displayed at the head of every parade and if any flags or emblems of other nations, societies, organizations or associations are displayed, the same shall be displayed under or behind the Canadian National Flag and/or the British National Flag.

Subdivision 8 - Shopping Carts

- 3.4.8. 1. No person who offers any goods for sale by retail shall permit any customer or any other person to remove any shopping cart or similar device owned by the shop owner or retailer from the parking area and shall so advise the customers.
2. Owners or operators of retail premises using shopping carts shall:
- a. post a notice at the customer exit of his store warning customers that shopping carts are not to be removed from the parking area;
 - b. label every shopping cart used by his business with the name and address of the business so that the ownership of the cart may be readily ascertainable.
3. No person shall abandon any shopping cart upon any highway or other public place.

Subdivision 9 - Removal and Impounding

- 3.4.9. 1. No person shall park, place or leave any vehicle or other object or thing, in whole or in part, in or upon a street or District owned parking lot or area in the District in contravention of this or any other section of the Municipal Code, or of any other statute of the Province of British Columbia, or so as to be an obstruction or inconvenience to the free use of, or which may encroach on, any streets or District owned parking lots or areas in the District.

Subdivision 9 - Removal and Impounding (Continued)

- 3.4.9. 2. The Municipal Manager or the Chief of Police or any person authorized by either of them is hereby empowered to remove any such vehicle, object or thing referred to in 3.4.9.1. above, at the expense of the owner or person in charge or control thereof, provided that neither such removal or impoundment as hereinafter provided, shall relieve from responsibility or liability any person guilty of an infraction of any provision of the Municipal Code or statute.
3. The Municipal Manager, Chief of Police, or other person, save and except a Contractor hereinafter described, shall have and hereby has the option at his discretion either to detain and impound the same as hereinafter provided, or to return the same to the owner or person in charge as is reasonably practicable, provided that such return shall not relieve such owner or person from payment of the reasonable expenses of the District incurred in such removal and return.
4. The District may, when and as often as is expedient, enter into, renew, vary, amend or terminate any agreement with any other person, persons or corporation (hereinafter called the "Contractor") whereby the powers of removal, impoundment storage, release and sale of vehicles, or other objects or things shall be delegated to and exercised by the Contractor upon the instructions of the Municipal Manager or Chief of Police and upon such terms, covenants, and conditions in such agreement contained or forming part thereof, as the District may direct; and in the event of such agreement as to the vehicles, objects or things removed, impounded, stored, released and sold pursuant thereto, and, as to the rights, powers, duties, burdens or benefits of the District, the Contractor and the owners or lessees of or persons in charge or control of, or entitled to such vehicles, objects and things, the said agreement shall be deemed to supersede, add to or replace such provisions in 3.4.9.5. and 3.4.9.6. hereof where the latter are inconsistent with the former.

Subdivision 9 - Removal and Impounding (Continued)

- 3.4.9. 5. The Municipal Manager, Chief of Police or other persons intending to remove any vehicle, or any other object or thing which he determines shall be detained and impounded as aforesaid, may instruct the Contractor to so remove, detain and impound the same, and to store and otherwise deal therewith as in any such agreement provided, in which event the provisions of such agreement shall prevail; in the absence of such agreement, or at the option of such Municipal Manager, Chief of Police, or other person, upon removing any vehicle, or any other object or thing which he determines shall be detained and impounded as aforesaid, he shall detain and impound the same at such place as the Municipal Manager shall direct, and the owner or lessee of such vehicle, object or thing or the person in charge or control thereof or entitled thereto shall pay those fees and costs set forth in 3.4.9.6. hereof before the said vehicle, object or thing is removed or released from impoundment; provided however, in the event of failure of such owner or person within THIRTY (30) days of the impoundment to pay such fees and costs, the Municipal Manager or Chief of Police shall deliver by ordinary mail a notice to the registered owner or lessee of an impounded registered vehicle, or to the person known or reasonably believed to be the owner or lessee of or person in charge or control of or entitled to an impounded unregistered vehicle, object or thing, setting forth the costs and fees incurred and those to be incurred until sale and informing the said owner, lessee or person that in the event of his failure to pay the same within TEN (10) days of the date of the notice, the vehicle, object or thing shall be sold at Public Auction to recover such fees and costs, and any surplus after the payment of such costs and fees, including the costs of sale, shall be paid to the said owner, lessee or person.
6. In respect of any vehicle, object or thing so removed, detained, impounded, stored or sold, except pursuant to any agreement as aforesaid in which event the fees and costs provided by such agreement shall prevail, the fees and costs required to be paid the District before such vehicle, object or thing shall be released from impoundment shall be:
- a. towing costs for a vehicle - \$20.00 plus such actual reasonable towing costs incurred by the District in excess of \$20.00;
 - b. removal costs for an object or thing other than a vehicle - the actual reasonable removal costs incurred by the District;

Subdivision 9 - Removal and Impounding (Continued)

- 3.4.9. 6. c. impoundment and storage costs - \$5.00 per day excluding the date of impoundment;
- d. sale costs - \$20.00 plus the costs of such actual reasonable advertising and other sales services as may be required.

Subdivision 10 - Parking Prohibitions

- 3.4.10. 1. No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle:
- a. within 7.5 metres of any traffic sign or traffic signal;
- b. within any intersection, and within 6 metres of the street line of an intersecting street, except lanes;
- c. within 5 metres of any fire hydrant;
- d. in front of or within 1.5 metres of the entrance or exit of any lane or driveway;
- e. alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping would obstruct traffic;
- f. on a sidewalk or walkway;
- g. upon or within 6 metres of a pedestrian crosswalk;
- h. on the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
- i. in any lane or alleyway for any period of time longer than is necessary for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers or materials or in such manner as to prevent the free movement of vehicular traffic;
- j. on either side of the street in front or within 30 metres of the driveway entrance to any Fire Hall;

Subdivision 10 - Parking Prohibitions (Continued)

- 3.4.10. 1. k. on that part of any roadway within a distance of 6 metres on both sides of the centre of the main entrances or exterior vestibules of any hotel or theatre unless otherwise marked by traffic signs;
- l. on any bridge;
- m. on any portion of a street indicated by traffic signs as reserved for any class of vehicle other than a vehicle coming within such class;
- n. on any street within 15 m of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing;
- o. on any street for the principal purpose of displaying such vehicle for sale, or advertising, washing, greasing, repairing, wrecking or storing such vehicle, except repairs necessitated by any emergency;
- p. on the paved portion of any street without curbs where the pavement thereof is 7.3 m or less in width;
- q. on any portion of a street for a longer period of time than that indicated on any traffic sign applicable to that portion of the street where such vehicle is parked;
- r. in any lane in such a position or manner as to obstruct the free movement of vehicular traffic into or out of any driveway or private road adjoining such lane;
- s. on any street, highway or lane between the hours of two o'clock in the forenoon and seven o'clock in the forenoon, between the first day of October in any year and the 31st day of March next ensuing, provided:
- (1) that this section shall not apply to vehicles, when parked on Block 1203 in the Service Centre; and
- (2) that the Chief of Police may issue permits to persons normally working between these hours authorizing them to park their vehicles in designated parts of specific parking lots; and

Subdivision 10 - Parking Prohibitions (Continued)

- 3.4.10. 1. s. (3) that the owner or operator of a business occupying premises in a shopping centre may park a commercial vehicle owned or operated by him in a designated area of a parking lot on receipt of a permit to do so from the Chief of Police;
- t. on any portion of a street where traffic signs prohibit parking;
- u. on other than the right hand side of any street;
- v. on a planting strip except where a driveway has been constructed in conformance with Part 9, Division 10, Subdivision 4, of the Code;
- w. adjacent to a traffic sign consisting of a curb painted yellow;
- x. on any street, highway, lane or public square between the hours of eight o'clock in the morning and six o'clock in the afternoon during the period from the first day of May to the thirtieth day of September for more than four hours unless the vehicle is parked abutting premises occupied by such person as his residence or place of employment;
- y. at other than at right angles to the curb line on that portion of the street between the curb line and the property line between the first day of November in any year and the thirtieth day of April next ensuing.
- z. on any street, highway or lane that impedes snow removal.
2. In the case of a vehicle which has become unintentionally mechanically disabled so as to prevent its being driven, the provision of 3.4.10.1. shall not be applicable for a period of twenty-four hours, exclusive of Sundays and Statutory Holidays, from the time that a violation of 3.4.10.1. would have occurred if it had not been for the provision of this subsection.

Subdivision 11 - Prohibited Parking

- 3.4.11.
1. No driver of any vehicle having an overall length, including load and trailer, of more than 7.5 metres shall park such vehicle on any street or highway except for the purpose of loading or unloading freight, merchandise or passengers.
 2. No driver of any vehicle having a manufacturer's rate capacity in excess of 1 tonne shall park such vehicle on any street or highway upon which residential properties abut, except for the purpose of loading or unloading freight, merchandise or passengers.

Subdivision 12 - Parallel and Angle Parking

- 3.4.12.
1. Except as is provided in this Division or in the case of any vehicle so mechanically disabled as to prevent the moving of same, no person shall park a vehicle on any street, or the side of any street, not designated by a traffic sign for angle parking, other than parallel to and within 30 centimetres of the curb.
 2. Upon those streets where angle parking is permitted, the driver of a vehicle shall park at the angle to the curb indicated by parking marks and as close to the curb as practicable, except where angle parking is indicated by signs only, in which case the angle of the parking shall be forty-five degrees from the direction of traffic.

Subdivision 13 - Parcel Pick-Up and Commercial Loading

- 3.4.13
1. No person shall park a vehicle or allow any vehicle to remain standing in a "Parcel Pick-Up - 3 Minute Parking Zone" for a period of time longer than is necessary for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers or merchandise and in no event shall such time period exceed a maximum of three minutes.
 2.
 - a. No person shall park a vehicle or allow any vehicle to remain standing in a "Commercial Loading Zone" unless the same bears a municipal licence plate issued under Part 4, Division 1 of this Code.
 - b. No person shall park a vehicle or allow any vehicle to remain standing in a "Commercial Loading Zone" except while loading or unloading and in no event for longer than ONE (1) hour.

Subdivision 14 - Emergency Vehicles

- 3.4.14. 1. The provisions of this Division regulating the parking of vehicles shall not apply to any emergency vehicle while attending at any emergency call, but this exemption shall not excuse the driver of any such vehicle from exercising due and proper care for the safety of other traffic.

Subdivision 15 - Municipal and Utility Vehicles

- 3.4.15. 1. The provisions of this Division prohibiting stopping and parking shall not apply to:
- a. municipal or provincial utility vehicles;
 - b. vehicles of a public utility corporation or power distribution company; or
 - c. wrecking vehicles;
 - d. R.C.M.P. or police vehicles;
- while such vehicles are actually engaged in works of necessity requiring them to be stopped or parked in contravention of any such provisions.

Subdivision 16 - Classes of Vehicles

- 3.4.16. 1. The Council may by resolution exempt any class of vehicles from such provisions of this Part relating to parking and stopping as the Council may deem fit and under such conditions as the Council may impose including the identification of vehicles so exempted and no person shall display on any vehicles any identification purporting to provide for such exemption unless such identification has been duly authorized by the Council.

Subdivision 17 - Prohibiting Of Deposit of Oil, Gasoline, Grease or Similar Substance

1. No Person shall deposit, or permit to be deposited, any oil, gasoline, grease or similar substance:
- a. directly onto any street; or

b. indirectly onto any street by way of leaking or otherwise escaping from a vehicle.

c. onto a driveway where the substance or residue could flow into the storm drain